1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	8
								•Acquisition of private land problems. •Delay in completion of Transmission Line.
2. Indira Sager H.E. Project (8x125 MW) Madhya Pradesh	2003 -06	May 2005	3527.54	3968.70	3969.70		442.16 (12.53)	•General Price Escalation
3. Nathpa Jhakri HE Project SJVNL (6x250MW) MP	1994 -95	March 2004	1678.02	7666.31	8378.68		6701.86 (398.39)	•Landslide and need for rock stabilization work, •Flash floods in July/Aug.,2000, •Rock fall in desilting chamber no. 3&4 during May, 2000 and rock fall in the desilting chamber no. 4 during Sept -Oct 2002.
4. Kopili Extn.-ll HE Project NEEPCO (1x25 MW) Assam	2001-02	Dec 2003	76.08	-	95.01		18.92 (24.86)	leakage in Spiral Casing

Losses of state electricity boards

2044. SHRI N.R. GOVINDARAJAR: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the annual income and expenditure of the State Electricity Boards in the country;

(b) whether the losses of State Electricity Boards has gone up significantly in recent years;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the reason for the same;

(d) whether the Union Government has taken any steps to bring down the losses of State Electricity Boards; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SHINDE): (a) According to the information compiled by the Power Finance Corporation, the annual income (without subsidy) of the State Power Utilities selling directly to the consumers during the year 2004-05 was Rs. 1,06,881 crores. The expenditure (without tax and depreciation) of these Utilities during the same year was Rs. 1,20,392 crores respectively.

(b) to (c) No, Sir. The profit/losses of the State Power Utilities during the last four years are given in the enclosed Statement *(See* below).

(d) and (e) The Government of India has taken the following major initiatives to bring down the losses of State Power Utilities:

(i) Past dues of Centra! Public Sector Companies against State Electricity Boards (SEBs) amounting to Rs. 34,957.96 crores have been securitized.

(ii) Tariff determination is done by independent Electricity Regulatory Commissions.

(iii) Section 65 of the Electricity Act provides that if the State Government requires the grant of any subsidy to any consumer or class of consumers in the tariff determined by the State Commissions, the State Government shall pay to the concerned utility/licensee the full amount required to compensate the grant of subsidy. This provision ensures release of subsidy by the State Government to the utilities.

(iv) Accelerated Power Development and Reforms Programme (APDRP) is assisting States in investment in strengthening of sub transmission and distribution systems for reducing technical losses and improving the quality of supply and also for incentivising through cash grants for reduction of cash losses by State Power Utilities.

(v) Stringent legal provisions have been made in Electricity Act, 2003 for dealing with theft of electricity.

(vi) Emphasis is given on metering of feeders and supply to consumers for energy accounting and auditing for identifying location of high losses.

(vii) Accelerated Generation and Supply Programme[10](AG&SP) is implemented to support capacity augmentation through renovation and modernization and new generation schemes.

Statement

(Rupees in crores)

SI. No.	Description	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05
1.	Income (without subsidy)- Utilities selling directly to the consumers	80,899	88,243	98,152	106,881
2.	Expenditure (without depreciation and tax)— Utilities selling directly to the consumers	103,541	100,948	109,051	120,392
3.	Profit/loss without depreciation subsidy and tax for—Utilities selling directly to the consumers	(-)22,642	(-)12,705	(-)10,899	(-)13,511
4.	Gencos and Transcos (Profit without depreciation and tax)	2,449	1,816	2,414	3,065
5.	Total Profit/Loss	(-)20,193	(-)10,889	(-)8,485	(-)10,446
6.	i)Tax		159	155	241
	ii) Deferred Tax iii)	79	73	65	218
	Depreciation		10,071	11,017	11,221
7.	Profit/Loss (without subsidy and tax)	(-)29,252	(-)20,960	(-)19,502	(-)21,667

Source: PFC's "Report on the performance of the State Power Utilities for the years 2002-03 to 2004-05.

Selection of sites for Hydro-Power Dams

2045. SHRI S.M. LALJAN BASHA: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have given any emphasis to State Government to go in for hydro-power generation where it entails the least Submersion of lands and people;